## Town of Lunenburg

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To: All Eligible Town / School Retirees

From: Nancy Forest / Payroll & Benefits Coordinator/Risk Manager

Re: Health Insurance / Open Enrollment / Plan Changes – January 1, 2016

**Creditable Coverage Notice** 

It is now the Town's open enrollment time for retiree health insurance plans to be effective January 1, 2016. Any changes which retirees desire to make should be made during open enrollment and forwarded to the <u>Payroll Dept., Town Hall</u> by Monday, December 7, 2015. If you are not making any changes, no action is required on your part.

The new rates for the various groups are as follows:

		TOTAL	RETIREE	Town	Cobra
PLAN		PREMIUM	AMOUNT	Share	
MEDEX 2 &	IND	\$307.73	\$153.87	\$153.86	
BLUE MEDICARE RX					
MANAGED BLUE FOR SENIORS	IND	\$274.70	\$68.68	\$206.02	
& BLUE MEDICARE RX					
MEDICARE HMO BLUE	IND	\$309.67	\$77.42	\$232.25	
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Adjustments for these new rates will be submitted to the retirement systems by December 15, 2015. If you pay by check, please use these rates for your December payment, which is for your January premium. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office.

## **Creditable Coverage Notice**

This is an important notice. Please read it carefully and thoroughly.

All group health plans for which you are eligible to enroll meet the Medicare definition of Creditable Coverage. That means that your prescription drug coverage through the Town of Lunenburg will be at least as good as the standard Medicare Part D benefit. If you enroll in a Town of Lunenburg health insurance plan, you do not need to enroll in Medicare Part D. If you later decide to enroll in Medicare Part D, you will not be subject to a Medicare penalty.

When you enroll in a plan for the first time, you will be given a Creditable Coverage Notice that is specific to your new plan. You may also get a copy of a Creditable Coverage Notice for any plan at any time upon request. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Forest at (978) 582-4134.